

Welcome to Grassington

A Handbook to Knowing Your Community



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A WARM WELCOME TO GRASSINGTON

Grassington is a vibrant village with cobbled streets surrounded by shops, cafes, galleries, a museum, community hub & library, pubs and restaurants.

There are more than fifty social groups and societies in Grassington and the surrounding villages of Upper Wharfedale, and with large events such as The 1940's Weekend and Christmas Markets, there is always something to do.

In addition, Grassington is home to the fictional market town of Darrowby in the new series of All Creatures Great & Small.

We hope that the information contained in this handbook will help you to settle into your new home and the community. Your neighbours will no doubt be welcoming and assist you as needed, but this handbook aims to help you find your way round services and activities to enable you to connect with our community when you first arrive.

The guide contains up-to-date and relevant information about the area.

You will also find this and other information on the following websites:

www.grassingtonhub.com

www.discovergrassington.co.uk

We hope you find this handbook useful and soon settle in.

Please do get in touch if you have any additional suggestions, or if you find anything is incorrect or missing. Contact details are on the back page of this handbook.



LOCAL AMENITIES

Amazon Counter

Collection point for Amazon parcels.

Grassington Post Office, 15 Main Street, Grassington, BD23 5AD

Open Monday – Friday 9am – 5:30pm, Saturdays 9am – 1pm

Telephone: 01756 753810

Cash Machine

Located at the front, and to the right of, the Dales Market Square supermarket just off Grassington Square. Cash can also be obtained from Grassington Post Office.

Dales Toffee Shop & Newsagent

1 Wood Lane, Grassington, BD23 5LU

Telephone: 01756 752346

Open Monday – Sunday 8am – 5pm

Newspapers and magazines, greetings cards, gifts, sweets, ice-cream.

Gem Threshfield Garage

Kettlewell Road, BD23 5PL

Telephone: 01756 753578

Open Monday – Sunday 7am – 10pm

Fuels: Unleaded, Diesel and Truck Diesel

Grassington Hardware Shop

24 – 26 Main Street, Grassington, BD23 5AA

Telephone: 01756 753770

A treasure trove with gardening equipment, kitchenware, paint, electrical and plumbing items, timber, coal / logs / kindling, and seasonal plants. Key cutting and tool sharpening.



Grassington Hub & Community Library

Manor Hill Barn, Garrs Lane, Grassington, BD23 5AT

Telephone: 01756 752222

www.grassingtonhub.com

Open Monday to Friday 10am – 4pm, Saturdays 9:30am – 12noon

North Yorkshire Council Adult and children's library with fiction and non-fiction. Free to join.

Second-hand book shop.

Car park passes for Wood Lane car park.

Helping Hands transport to medical appointments.

Photocopying, printing and office services.

Library computers for public use.

Free Wi-Fi.

Grassington Post Office

15 Main Street, Grassington, BD23 5AD

Open Monday – Friday 9am – 5:30pm, Saturdays 9am – 1pm

Telephone: 01756 753810

Services available:

All Royal Mail and Parcelforce Worldwide services. Drop and Go service.

Personal and business banking: cash withdrawals, cash deposits, cheque deposits. Bill payments and top ups. Vehicle Tax.

Foreign currency, travel insurance, travel money cards. MoneyGram.

Amazon counter – collection point for Amazon parcels. Greetings Cards and Gifts

Grassington Town Hall / Grassington Devonshire Institute (GDI).

48 Main Street, Grassington, BD23 5AA

General enquiries: info@grassdevinst.org

www.grassingtondevonshireinstitute.org

Grassington and Upper Wharfedale's largest venue which attracts many local groups and private individuals to stage their own events and activities each year. GDI, the charity that run the Town Hall, also stages several of its own events each year.

Salon 41 (Hairdressers)

41 Main Street, Grassington, BD23 5AA

Telephone: 07394 158824



SHOPPING, EATING AND DRINKING

Grassington's bustling cobbled market square is fringed by shops offering everything from practical essentials to totally tempting luxuries. Art galleries, crafts and open studios complete the Grassington shopping experience.

There are many friendly cafes, restaurants, and cosy pubs.

Grassington also has two take-aways: a traditional fish and chip shop, and an Indian restaurant. Walkers Bakery has cakes, bread and freshly made sandwiches. Some of the pubs, cafes and restaurants also have take-away options.

There are too many shops, cafes, restaurants, and pubs to list here. Why not have a walk round and see for yourself.

You can find full details of Grassington shops, restaurants, cafes and pubs online on the Grassington website, **www.discovergrassington.co.uk**

FOOD SHOPS

Dales Market Square

Supermarket just off Grassington Square. Good selection of groceries and household supplies. Fresh fruit and vegetables, fresh meat, frozen food off-licence, lottery.

Main Street, Grassington, BD23 5AD. Open Monday – Sunday 8am – 9pm
Opening and closing times can be seasonal so may vary.

Spar Threshfield

Fresh fruit & vegetables, fresh meat, groceries, in-store bakery, off-licence, lottery, ATM.

Petrol station. Tel: 01756753578

Kettlewell Road, Skipton, BD23 5PL. Open Monday – Sunday 7am – 10pm

Grassington House Hotel's Shop

Fresh fruit and vegetables, dairy, meat and fish. Grassington House Homemade Pies and pre prepared meals. Must be ordered in advance.

Email orders only, orders@grassingtonhouse.co.uk. For more information visit www.grassingtonhouse.co.uk/shop.html



COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

Whatever you want to do or would like to try out, there is sure to be a group or organisation in Grassington and Upper Wharfedale doing it!

Whether you enjoy art and crafts, sports, music and drama, or a quieter activity like bridge, there is something for everyone to enjoy.

For information on local groups go to the Grassington Hub website community pages. www.grassingtonhub.com

There are two main annual events in Grassington.

1940's Weekend

A very popular weekend usually held on the third weekend in September each year. Be taken back in time as you land in the heart of Yorkshire Dales experiencing the scenes and sounds of the 1940s at every turn.

www.grassington1940sweekend.co.uk

Email: bookings@grassington1940sweekend.co.uk

Christmas Markets

Grassington is a magical place to be at Christmas. With its twinkly lights, independent shops, fire-lit pubs and cosy cafes, accommodation from self-catering to guest houses and hotels. Usually held on the last Saturday in November and first Saturday in December.

www.discovergrassington.co.uk/grassingtons-christmas-festivities/

Email: events@discovergrassington.co.uk



VOLUNTEERING

There are many volunteering opportunities in our community. Below are some of the main opportunities available but most local groups will appreciate help with their various activities.

Grassington & District Helping Hands organise transport to medical or 'well-being' appointments for residents of Upper Wharfedale who might otherwise have difficulty getting to their appointment, using volunteer drivers. Helping Hands are always looking for more drivers. If you would like to be a volunteer driver, please contact Secretary Babs Peacock on 01756 752064.

Grassington Folk Museum needs volunteers to help in several ways including opening the museum and looking after exhibits.

Email: uwmsoc@yahoo.com for more information.

Grassington Hub and Community Library have lots of different volunteering opportunities including:

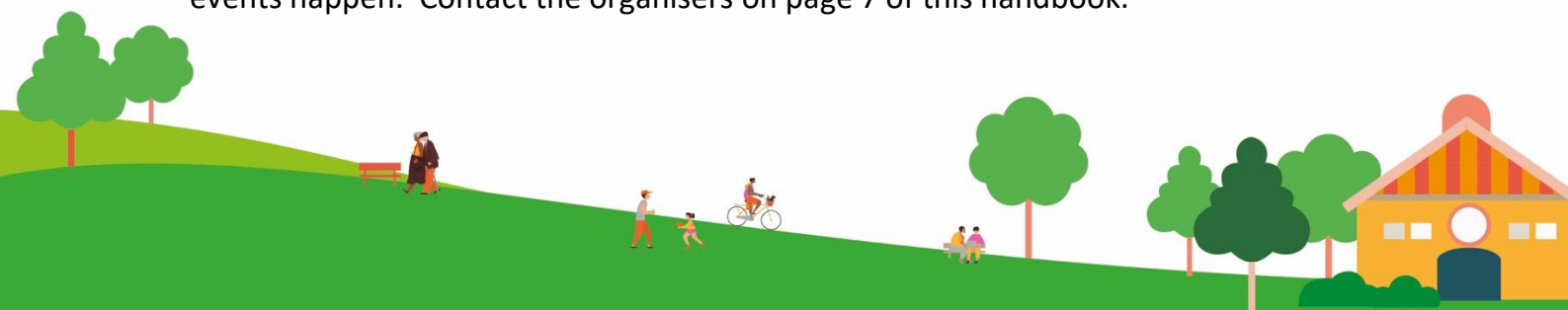
- working in the library and reception area at the Hub
- cooking and serving meals at the monthly Lunch Club
- chatting to people at The Friday Hub well-being café
- helping out at the Community Cinema
- delivering books to housebound library users
- running day-time social activities

Tel: 01756 752222 Email: enquiries@grassingtonhub.com

Grassington in Bloom, Gold certificate winner of Yorkshire in Bloom 2024, create the wonderful displays in the many pots and planters around Grassington. To help with this, contact Chair Diane Mackridge on mackridgediane@gmail.com

Grassington Town Hall will happily find a role for anyone within their GDI family. If you can offer a welcoming smile, put up displays, help with fundraising, community events or have basic building/maintenance skills please get in touch with Hazel on 01756 753533 or hazel.drew@grassdevinst.org

Grassington 1940's Weekend and Christmas Markets need volunteers to make their events happen. Contact the organisers on page 7 of this handbook.





CARE & SUPPORT

Grassington Hub

Manor Hill Barn, Garrs Lane, Grassington, BD23 5AT. Tel: 01756 752222
Community Anchor Organisation for Grassington and Upper Wharfedale. An independent community-led organisation, working to provide solutions to local problems and challenges.

The Hub provides advice, support and signposting to other services. Current services provided include a wellbeing café, lunch club, men's shed, befriending service, digital support, and practical help such as shopping and prescription delivery. The Hub provides many other activities and services so pop-in and talk to their friendly volunteers to find out more.

Gills Top Care Home

Scar Street, Grassington, BD23 5AF. Tel: 0800 085 4318
24-hour care for elderly people. Offering support for older people who have residential care and dementia care needs within a warm and homely setting

Threshfield Court Care Home

Station Road, Threshfield, Skipton, BD23 5ET. Tel: 01756 752200
24-hour nursing care for older people in need of support, alongside specialist dementia support.

TRANSPORT TO MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS

Grassington and District Helping Hands charity was established to relieve people in need because of illness, age, social isolation or being housebound.

The charity provides a volunteer transport service taking people to hospitals, doctors' appointments, and dentists. The service also provides prescription collection and shopping where needed.

The service is administered by Grassington Hub. Please call Hub reception to book an appointment or to find out more about the service: 01756 752222



LOCAL COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

Grassington Parish Council

- Cllr R Charlton – Chairman
- Cllr B Kendall – Vice Chairman
- Cllr T Lofthouse
- Cllr K Darwin
- Cllr J Booth
- Cllr C Greene
- Cllr N Shenton
- Cllr J Carlisle
- Cllr R Hill

Clerk to the Council

Mrs L Close

07900 928113

clerk@grassingtonparishcouncil.gov.uk

Website: www.grassingtonpc.co.uk

North Yorkshire Council – Wharfedale Division

Councillor Richard Foster - Conservative

Telephone: 07843 054653

Email: Cllr.Richard.Foster@northyorks.gov.uk

MP for Skipton & Ripon

The Rt Hon Julian Smith KBE CBE, Conservative MP for Skipton & Ripon.

Constituency office. Tel: 01756 795898

Parliamentary office: House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA

Telephone: 020 7219 7145

Email: julian.smith.mp@parliament.uk

Website: www.juliansmith.org.uk

X: <https://x.com/JulianSmithuk>



LOCAL SERVICES

North Yorkshire Council. Council tax, waste collection and all the usual county council services. www.northyorks.gov.uk

Household waste and recycling is collected once every two weeks on alternate Thursdays. To check your collection dates, go online here:
<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/bin-calendar/lookup>

Emergency Services

North Yorkshire Police

Grassington Police Station, Wood Lane, Grassington BD23 5LU.

Tel: 101

Public Safety Officer Robbie Kirkbride Tel: 07557 066366

Medical

IG Medical, Grassington Medical Centre 9 Station Road, Grassington, BD23 5LS, Tel: 01756 752313

Grassington Dental Care 9 Station Road, Grassington, BD23 5LS, Tel: 01756 753782

Grassington Pharmacy (Under new ownership) 9 Station Road Grassington, BD23 5LS, Tel: 01756 752338 Open 9am – 6pm Monday – Friday. Please check with pharmacy as opening hours are subject to change.

Opticians

No optician in Grassington but plenty to choose from in Skipton.

Benjamin Opticians

23 Newmarket Street, Skipton, BD23 2JE Tel: 01756 792933

Boots Opticians

40-42 Sheep Street, Skipton, BD23 1HY, Tel: 01756 791738

Specsavers

14 Swadford Street, Skipton, BD23 1RD, Tel: 01756 702520

Veterinary

Ashlands Veterinary Centre

Rockvilla, 1 -3 Clifford Street, Skipton, BD23 2AD. Tel: 01756 636999



SCHOOLS

Grassington VC C of E Primary School

Acre Lane, Grassington, BD23 5LB,

Tel: 01756 752365 Email: grassingtonadmin@uwpf.n-yorks.sch.uk

Threshfield Primary School

Low Road, Threshfield, BD23 5PN, Tel: 01756 752348

Email: admin@threshfield.n-yorks.sch.uk

Upper Wharfedale School

Wharfeside Avenue, Threshfield, BD23 5BA.

Tel: 01756 752215 Email admin@uws.n-yorks.sch.uk

FAITH GROUPS

Grassington Congregational Church 6-10 Garrs Lane, Grassington

www.grassingtonchurch.org

Grassington Methodist Church

Tel: 01756 752607

www.skiptonandgrassingtonmethodist.org.uk

St Michael and All Angels Church, Linton Falls

Revd Matthew Wood, Tel: 01756 648 199

www.linton-burnsall-rylstone.com

St Margaret Clitherow, Threshfield

Mgr. Andrew Summersgill.

www.stmargaretcclitherow.org.uk



GETTING ABOUT

Travelling around the Yorkshire Dales.

For the latest bus and train timetables, and travel information, the Dales Bus website is the place to go. The website is designed to help you get around the Yorkshire Dales area (including the Yorkshire Dales National Park and Nidderdale National Landscape) using public transport.

www.dalesbus.org

BUSES RUN BETWEEN SKIPTON, GRASSINGTON AND UPPER WHARFEDALE AS FOLLOWS:

- Keighley Bus Company service 72 runs between Skipton and Grassington seven days a week.
- Upper Wharfedale Venturer minibus service 72B: links to the 72 bus and runs between Hebden, Grassington and Buckden, Monday to Saturday

There are also seasonal Sunday buses from Grassington to Aysgarth, Hawes and other destinations. **www.dalesbus.org**

RAILWAYS SERVICES

Gargrave Railway Station, Church Street, Gargrave BD23 3NE. Approximately 9 miles from Grassington. The station provides links from Morecambe to Leeds, via Skipton.

Skipton Railway Station, Broughton Road, Skipton, BD23 1RT. Approximately 10 miles from Grassington, and reachable by the 72 bus from Grassington, the station provides links to national rail services at Leeds station.

Ilkley Railway Station, Station Plaza, Ilkley, LS29 8HF. Approximately 15 miles from Grassington. The station provides links to national rail services at Leeds station.



TAXI SERVICES

A taxi from Grassington to Skipton costs around £25 each way. Taxis to Leeds are about £80.

Kettlewell Taxis

Local services around the dale, transport to Skipton, and airport runs.

Contact: 01756 761646 / 07940 753524

Skipton and Craven Taxis

Local and long distance, stations and airport runs.

Contact: 01756 701122

TRANSPORT TO MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS

Please see page 10 of this handbook for volunteer transport to medical appointments, for residents of Grassington and Upper Wharfedale.



WHO TO CONTACT

If you have any suggestions for this handbook, please contact Grassington Hub.

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